IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Misc 26698-M of 2007

Date of decision: 28.4.2007

Seema Kumari and anr …Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and ors …Respondents

Present: Mr PS Grewal, Advocate, for the petitioners.

S.S. SARON, J.

The petitioners by way of the present petition under Section 482 CrPC seek issuance of necessary directions to respondents-2 to 4 to provide them adequate protection as they fear danger to their life and liberty from respondents-5 and 6 who are the father and mother respectively of petitioner-1.

The petitioners are stated to be major. Petitioner-2 earlier professed to Christian faith. However, he solemnized his marriage with petitioner-1. He has converted to Hindu religion on 23.4.2007 after performing necessary customary rites and ceremonies at Arya Samaj Mandir, Sector 56, Palsaura, Chandigarh. Thereafter, the petitioners solemnized their marriage on 23.4.2007 itself at the aforesaid Arya Samaj Mandir. Photographs showing the solemnization of marriage have been placed on record as Annexure P7. This, it is stated, is not to the liking of respondents-5 and 6 who are the parents of petitioner-1. The petitioners, therefore, face very serious danger to their life and liberty. Respondents-5 and 6, it is stated, boast of their very good connections with the district Police. A representation dated 24.4.2007

(Annexure P9) is also stated to have been submitted to the SSP Ludhiana (respondent-2).

In the facts and circumstances of the present case, the petition is disposed of with a direction that in case the petitioners approach respondents-2 to 4 setting out their grievances as have been set out in the present petition, the same would be looked into by them independently and in accordance with law.

28.4.2007. (S.S.SARON)
ASR JUDGE